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Re: Humboldt Baykeeper v. Royal Gold, LLC (Case No. 3:16-CV-06835-RS)

Dear Ms. Ennis,

This letter is intended to provide assurance that I have received the proposed Consent Decree between Humboldt Baykeeper and Royal Gold, LLC and that I am authorized by my Board of Directors to make the following binding commitments on behalf of the Rose Foundation.

- 1) I understand that the Rose Foundation should receive funds from Royal Gold, LLC as specified in the Consent Decree.
- 2) The Rose Foundation shall only use these Royal Gold, LLC. funds for projects to benefit the Mad River or Humboldt Bay or its watershed.
- 3) After the funds are disbursed, the Rose Foundation shall send a report to the Justice Department, the Court and the Parties setting forth the recipient and purpose of the funds and demonstrating conformance with the nexus of the Consent Decree.

Rose Foundation for Communities and the Environment

The Rose Foundation is a 501(c)(3) public charity (tax ID# $\frac{1}{2}$). Its mission is to support grassroots initiatives to inspire community action to protect the environment, consumers and public health. To fulfill this mission, the Rose Foundation conducts the following activities:

- Raise money to award as grants to qualified non-profit organizations conducting charitable operations. The Foundation does not support political lobbying activities prohibited by Section 501(c)(3) of the IRS Code.
- Work directly in schools and in the community to encourage environmental stewardship and civic participation.
- Help government efforts to control pollution and protect the environment by encouraging community engagement in local, state and federal research and policy development.

Within this broad range of activities, all of the Rose Foundation's work revolves around one or more of the following strategic themes:

- Build and maintain a bridge between the community and organized philanthropy.
- Protect the natural environment, public health, and community and consumer rights.
- Promote collaboration between labor, environmental, business, consumer and social interests.
- Cultivate a new generation of environmental stewards and social policy leaders.
- Respect the inalienable rights protected by our nation's constitution, and the essential human rights to clean air, clean water, and individual dignity and privacy.

The Rose Foundation is governed by a Board of Directors. Grant applicants are required to submit written proposals, which must include at a minimum specific information about the goals, activities and projected outcomes of the proposed project, background about the charitable applicant, budget information, and a specific funding request. The Foundation may require additional information in order to fully evaluate the application. Applications are first screened by Foundation staff. Staff then makes recommendations to the Foundation Board for action. The Foundation requires all projects to submit written reports within one year of receipt of the grant award describing work conducted under the grant, thereby providing an accountability mechanism over funds awarded. Annual audits by the certified public accounting firm Levy and Powers are posted on the Foundation's website www.rosefdn.org.

I hope this provides you with the information you require. Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions, or for additional information at (510) 658-0702 or tlittle@rosefdn.org.

Sincerely,

Tim Little, Executive Director

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